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SUBJECT: US-UK CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS: REPORT ON MAY 23

1. ONLY MEETING ON MAY 23 WAS CAPACITY WORKING GROUP:
U.S. - BOYD, O'MELIA, YOUNG, STYLES; U.K.- SHOVELTON,
COLEGATE, ROGERS, BROWN. NEXT MEETING IS MAY 24, A.M.,
CAPACITY WORKING GROUP. U.K. HAS DEFERRED PLENARY AT
WHICH HK ROUTES AND CHARTER ISSUES ARE TO BE DISCUSSED,
IN FAVOR OF PUSHING THROUGH ON CAPACITY ISSUES.

2. CAPACITY GROUP REVIEWED NEW DRAFT U.S. PROPOSAL ON
CAPACITY REGULATION.

A. SHOVELTON AND COLEGATE GENERALLY RECEIVED U.S.
PROPOSAL WELL; ROGERS OBJECTED TO OBJECTIVE OF MINIMIZ-
ATION OF GOVERNMENT INVOLVEMENT. SHOVELTON'S FIRST RE-
ACTION WAS THAT "WE'RE REALLY BEGINNING TO GET SOME-
WHERE."

B. SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION FOCUSED ON LINK BETWEEN
CAPACITY AND TARIFF ARTICLES, FREE-ZONE OR FALL BACK
PROCEDURES IN EVENT OF DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS,
STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE TO BE MET BY AIRLINES, AND
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PROCEDURES FOR CONSULTATION.

C. U.K. TEAM ADJOURNED TO DISCUSS PROPOSED MECHANISM
WITH U.K. AIRLINES. BOYD, SHOVELTON CONCLUDED WORKING
GROUP SESSION BY AGREEING THAT IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO
WRAP UP CAPACITY ARTICLE BY END OF WEEK.

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